Hoosier Heroines

Essay Contest

Celebrating 200 Years of Women's History in Indiana

Students in grades 5 through 9, complete this essay challenge for your chance to visit the Indiana Statehouse as a special guest of First Lady Karen Pence and Indiana's female statewide office holders. Winners will also receive an Indiana Prize Pack.



First Lady Karen Pence



Lt. Governor Sue Ellspermann



Secretary of State Connie Lawson



Auditor Suzanne Crouch



Treasurer Kelly Mitchell



Superintendent of Public Instruction Glenda Ritz

Contest Details

Question:

Which Hoosier woman, who has contributed in the last 200 years to the field of _____, do you admire most and why?

Please select a women currently living or from history who has contributed to the field/industry assigned below according to grade level.

- 5th grade Agriculture
- 6th grade Suffrage
- 7th grade Business
- 8th grade Science
- 9th grade Education

If you are in need of suggestions, please consider the women on this list. You may choose to write your essay about one of the women listed, but you do not have to. You can choose someone who is not included on this list, including family members.

- Agriculture: Sue Alexander, Deborah Jordan, Virginia Meredith, Virginia Tuttle Roney, April Mason, Mary Frances Smith
- Suffrage: Robert Dale Owen, Hannah Hiatt, Zerelda Wallace, May Wright Sewall, Dr. Amelia Keller
- Business: Patzetta Trice, Gayle Cook, Patty Stonesifer, Myrta Pulliam, Patricia R. Miller, Sharon Rivenbark
- Science: Gene Stratton Porter, Marion Donovan, Dr. Sara Stockton, Martha Stevens, Nancy Snydermen, Janice Voss
- Education: Eliza Blaker, Victoria Soto Candelaria, Eva Mozes Kor, Dr. Suellen Reed

Guidelines:

- Your essay should be typed, Times New Roman, 12 pt. font, double spaced, 1" margins and 500 to 750 words in length.
- In addition to your essay, you must also submit the completed cover sheet and signed consent form. Both documents are included in this packet.

Electronic Submission:

- To submit an essay electronically, documents must be in Adobe PDF format. This Essay Submission Kit is in Adobe PDF format. The cover sheet and consent form both have interactive or "writable" capability. That means you can type your information directly onto the PDF forms from your computer. However, you will need to download the "consent and release" form for student and parent/guardian signatures.
- Your submission should be emailed to this address: idoaspecialevents@idoa.in.gov. The subject line of the email should follow this format: Hoosier Heroines essay, student's name, student's grade level.

Winners:

- One winner from each participating grade level (grades 5-9) will be selected and invited to the Statehouse on March 30, 2016 to read his or her essay during an awards ceremony. Winning essays will be chosen by the following offices:
 - 5th Grade Lt. Governor
 - 6th Grade Secretary of State
 - 7th Grade Auditor
 - 8th Grade Treasurer
 - 9th Grade Superintendent of Public Instruction

Timeline:

- February 22, 2016: Essay Submission Deadline
- March 1, 2016: Essay Winners Notified
- March 30, 2016: Essay Winners Awards Program at the Indiana Statehouse

Student Information

Each submission must be accompanied by this completed form. Teachers may reproduce this page as needed.

Name:
Grade Level:
Home Address:
City, State, ZIP Code:
Phone: ()
E-mail:
School Name:
School Address:
School City, State, ZIP Code:
School Telephone: ()
Teacher Name:
Teacher E-mail:
Parent/Guardian Name:
Parent/Guardian E-mail:
Moment in history you are writing about:
Title of essay:

SUBMISSION BY EMAIL: idoaspecialevents@idoa.in.gov

Essays must be submitted by February 22, 2016.

Hoosier Heroine Essay Contest CONSENT AND RELEASE

If you complete and submit this release: It will allow essays to be featured in various venues in the future such as the Internet and use of the author's name and school name.

If you do not complete and submit this release: Use of your essay or the name and school name of its author will not be permitted on the Internet or for any other purposes.

A signed copy of this release must be electronically submitted with the essay and cover sheet.

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Parent /Legal Guardian Signature:	
Parent/Legal Guardian Printed Name:	
School:	